

## Mail Stop RCE

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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1998. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).	Application Number	09/331,808
	Filing Date	January 27, 2000
	First Named Inventor	LINDQVIST et al
	Group Art Unit	1627
	Examiner Name	Wessendorf, T.
	Attorney Docket Number	117-357

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider  
 filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d) (PTO/SB/20) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment  
 provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Preissuance Application Practices, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 80092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim  
 Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Any unamended amendments referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment Under Rule 116/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Figures 1-8

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 35 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for  
 a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ Applicant claims "small entity" status.
- b. ☒ Fees to be debited are calculated below:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$ 385.00
- ii. ☒ Petition is made to extend the due date July 22, 2004 months (less \_\_\_\_\_ months previously paid) \$ 210.00
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c. ☒ Amount to be debited \$ 595.00 enclosed
- d. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)
- e. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed or which should have been filed  
 herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm), to Deposit Account No. 14-1140

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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